

# A Resolution

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## **AMENDING THE CITY COUNCIL'S RULES OF PROCEDURE TO ESTABLISH A STANDING DATE TO HOLD THE ELECTION FOR THE OFFICE OF MAYOR PRO TEM**

**WHEREAS**, Section 6., Chapter III of the Charter of the City of Fort Worth, Texas states that “the City Council shall elect one of its members as Mayor Pro Tem who shall perform the duties of the Mayor in case of the absence or inability of the Mayor to perform the duties of his or her office and shall for the time being be vested with all the powers belonging to the Mayor”; and

**WHEREAS**, the Charter does not specify the frequency of said election or the term of office of the Mayor Pro Tem; and

**WHEREAS**, on May 2, 2006 the City Council adopted Council Proposal 258 scheduling the election for the office of Mayor Pro Tem on an annual basis during the month of May; and

**WHEREAS**, Council Proposal 258 did not revise the City Council Rules of Procedure; and

**WHEREAS**, setting the election for Mayor Pro Tem each year in May does not take into account the possible delay in seating the Mayor and City Council members due to run-off elections; and

**WHEREAS**, because the position of Mayor Pro Tem provides stability and continuity in case of the absence of the Mayor and performs ceremonial duties on behalf of the City, it is the desire of the Mayor and Council Members to revise the Council Rules of Procedure to establish a standing date to hold the election for the position of Mayor Pro Tem at a time that allows all the elected members to participate; and

**WHEREAS**, it is the intent of the City Council that the May election date for Mayor Pro Tem established in Council Proposal 258 be changed to September and to be effective October 1 of each year.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE  
CITY OF FORT WORTH, TEXAS:**

**THAT** the City Council's Rules of Procedure are amended to add the following provision to Section 4 (Chairman and Duties):



4.1.1. Election of Mayor Pro Tem. The City Council shall elect from its members one person to serve as Mayor Pro Tem on an annual basis during the month of September to be effective October 1st.

Adopted this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 2012.

ATTEST:

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Mary Kayser, City Secretary

